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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

ROGER H. APPELDORN
ALAN HULME-LOWE
MICHAEL C. LEA

Application No. 07/963,056
Filed: October 19, 1992

For: ILLUMINATION DEVICES
AND OPTICAL FIBRES FOR
USE THEREIN

Group Art Unit: 2501

Examiner J. Lee

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS BEING
SUBMITTED TO THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE IN CONNECTION WITH THE
APPLICATION OF THE ABOVE NAMED APPLICANT FOR
A PATENT IN THE CLASS OF INVENTIONS
D.C. 2231, ON THE DATE OF THE SIGNATURE
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STEPHEN W. BUCKINGHAM - REG. NO. 20,035
DATE: November 29, 1993

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Examiner's Action dated May 27, 1993. The time to respond to the Office Action expired on August 27, 1993 and a three-month extension of time is being applied for herewith that will extend the deadline to November 27, 1993.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An optical fibre for propagating light in a preselected direction, said fibre having a light emitting region, said light emitting region comprising a plurality of reflecting surfaces of optical quality extending into said fibre and arranged such that a portion of light propagating along said fibre and impinging upon said surfaces will be reflected out of said fibre by total internal reflection through a side wall thereof, at least one of said reflecting surfaces having a cross-sectional area less than that of said fibre.